

MANTUA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING

Held August 18th, 2016

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The Board of Trustees of Mantua Township convened in regular session from 7:31pm to 11:00pm in the Mantua Township Hall. Chairman Jason Carlton called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present: Jason Carlton, John Festa, Victor Grimm, Trustees. Jodie Thompson, Fiscal Officer. Susan Skrovan, Zoning Commission Secretary. Jim Aldrich, Sexton. Brian Tayerle, Road Supervisor. Several residents.

**Introduction**

Chairman Jason Carlton called the meeting to order and requested that everyone silence their cell phones. The pledge of allegiance was led by Victor Grimm.

**RES 126-16** Motion to approve the August 4th meeting minutes by Victor Grimm, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton, Yes. John Festa, Yes. Victor Grimm, Yes.

**Financial Report**

The Fiscal Officer presented the following financial report:

2016 Appropriations:	\$ 1,092,385.13
2016 Payments:	\$ 333,946.13
Encumbered, not paid:	\$ 28,046.03
2016 Receipts:	\$ 403,950.51
Cash balance:	\$ 577,642.04 with \$ 741,793.41 invested

The Fiscal Officer presented the following correspondence:

- Portage County Health District quarterly report
- Zoning Commission Meeting minutes
- Letter from the Farley Company regarding acquisition of lubricant business from Ravenna Oil
- Chagrin River Watershed Partners Board of Trustees meeting announcement

**Main Meeting**

Dana Heffner from First Energy came to present Linda Ehlert with \$1500 for the school for the elevator project.

Alan Siewert from the ODNR tree program spoke about picking trees to plant around the township. He recommended that we form a group that will work on a master plan for the plantings. Also suggested this group then attend classes for caring for the trees. He said it would be a total of 3-4 meeting inside discussing the plantings and 1-2 meetings outside.

**Mantua Township Beautification Committee**

Provided a two phase plan, the first phase would focus on the cleanup of the trees, shrubs and plantings in the bullpen area. The second phase would be the planning and construction of the gazebo after all the safety concerns have been addressed.

John stated he has spoken with Kim Arnold, who is with our risk insurance, about the safety risks about putting a gazebo and parking in the bullpen area. John would like to continue with the beautification of the bullpen area but wants to put ~~to the~~ constructions of the gazebo on hold until we can be sure it is absolutely safe to do so.

Vic stated that the approval has been given for the tree removal, shrubs & plantings to be cleaned up. He suggested having the chipper on site to help. Wants the area opened up so that it can be reevaluated after the cleanup.

John wants them to continue forward with the cleanup.

**Res 127-16** Motion to allow the Mantua Township Beautification Committee, Garden Club & Road Department to work together to clean up the bullpen area by Jason Carlton, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton, Yes. John Festa, Yes. Victor Grimm, Yes.

Jeff Jackson and Chad Delaney outlined their ideas for the proposed utilization of the Mantua Center School as a community building. They would like to start by using three rooms and then expanding out from there.

Nick Ehlert stated “Good job, please help the kids”

Dave Pollard said it will be a great asset for the community.

Carole Pollard asked about what their plans were for defraying the cost of renting the school. Chad stated there was no expectation of utilizing the space for free.

Rod Summerlin emphasized the importance of a community center. It’s a great opportunity for groups to help people in the community, whether it is rent assistance, drug help, support groups, etc.

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**Zoning Commission**

Lynn said that the public hearing to review the updated legal descriptions for each district will be held on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Townhall.

**Road Report**

Brian stated the leveling course had been completed on Mantua Center Rd. Discussed the berm on the road and what the options are. There will be a fire inspection on August ~~29<sup>th</sup>~~ 30<sup>th</sup>. There are a number of safety and exit lights that need replaced prior to this inspection. John provided a list of the lights that are in need of replacing. Jason suggested we apply for the \$500 safety grant from Burnham and Flower in order to help with the cost of replacing these

**Res 128-16** Motion to apply for \$500 grant from Burnham and Flower for replacing safety and exit lights in the township buildings by Jason Carlton, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton, Yes. John Festa, Yes. Victor Grimm, Yes.

**Garden Club**

Next meeting will be held on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm and they will be starting on the plant removal at the bullpen depending on the weather.

**Restoration Society**

They will be having a booth at the Potato Festival and a booth at Derthick's Corn Maze. They were on the front page of the Villager about new program called "Little Quilts". On November 12<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Veterans dance honoring Korea and Vietnam Veterans. On Election Day, there will be coffee and donuts at the Civic Center.

**Fire Department**

John stated they are looking at a proposal from Streetsboro for Dispatch services.

**Trustee Reports****New Business**

**John** asked about new elevator bid. Explained about fire switches in the elevator. He will gather a list of companies that provide fire alarms for elevators.

**Vic** talked about the Potato Stomp race and where they will be running. Said there has been some vandalism in Westlawn cemetery. Asked Jodie to scan and sent the new rental pricing list to Brent to put up on the website. Stated the lawyers have not received any of our mailings regarding the court case. I confirmed that I had sent three separate mailing.

**The following spoke during Public Comment**

Sue Skrovan – asked John if Kim was present on property in bullpen for her assessment, John said no.

Bill Kelley – discussed borders and right of way on School Lane. Portage County engineers were out to survey the road. He wants to know what the trustees are going to do to establish parking on School Lane.

Nick Ehler – pleading with trustees to reconsider placement of gazebo

Lynn Harvey – stated to be sure to check with zoning before putting a park in the bullpen area. Suggested consulting with ODNR for plantings in the bullpen.

Maryann Weber – discussed problems with pulling out of her driveway, concerned about being able to access her driveway during the cleanup of the bullpen, has concerns about when chipper is being run.

Carole Pollard – liked the approach that is being taken for the bullpen area.

Dave Pollard – thanked whoever fixed the door to the Townhall. Voiced his concerns about the intersection of Mantua Center Rd and State Route 82.

**RES 129-16** Motion to pay bills made by Jason Carlton, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton yes, John Festa yes, Victor Grimm, yes.

**Mantua Township paid bills 8/18/2016**

22156-22166 VOID

22167 PR James J Aldrich \$403.98

22168 PR Cole Benjamin \$697.31

22169 PR Jason Philip Carlton \$543.17

22170 John J Dickey \$527.55

22171 John Festa \$772.50

22172 Victor William Grimm \$561.25

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22173 Rhetta E Hall \$176.29  
22174 Susan J Skrovan \$331.51  
22175 Brian Anthony Tayerle \$1,311.29  
22176 JODIE RAE THOMPSON \$1,185.97  
22177 Daniel R Wysznski \$1,282.84  
22178 AT&T \$82.02  
22179 Haylett's Corner Store & BP \$25.00  
22180 Home Depot \$175.22  
22181 Weiskopf Industries \$100.87  
22182 Careworks Comp \$646.00  
22183 Harper Well & Pump Inc \$16.80  
22184 Ohio Insurance Services Agency \$455.97  
22185 Deluxe Cleaners \$134.00  
22186 Shalersville Asphalt \$685.02  
22187 TL Service Center \$106.70  
22188 1st Ayd Corp \$139.63  
22189 Kelly Supply Co. \$93.20  
22190 Ohio Edison \$776.08  
22191 Marlboro Supply \$950.00  
22192 Staples Credit Plan \$376.77  
22193 AT&T Mobility \$102.03  
Total Payments: \$12,658.97

**RES 130 -16** Motion to adjourn made by Jason Carlton, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton yes, John Festa yes, Victor Grimm, yes.

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Victor Grimm

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Jason Carlton

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John Festa

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Jodie Thompson, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Mantua Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.